

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

[0023] Fig. 8 is an exploded view of the two movable stops and their associated adjustment buttons, and indication support members; and

[0024] Fig. 9 through 12 show various stop adjustment configurations for the knee brace[;], and

~~[0025] Fig. 13 is an exploded view of an alternative adjustable stop construction.~~

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

~~[0026]~~ [0025] While the specification describes particular embodiments of the present invention, those of ordinary skill can devise variations of the present invention without departing from the inventive concept.

~~[0027]~~ [0026] Referring more particularly to the drawings, Fig. 1 shows a leg brace 12 for the knee, including two struts extending up and down the leg from a central pivot assembly 14. Extending along the upper leg is a strut 16, and extending down the lower leg from the pivot assembly 14 is a lower strut 18. These struts are sometimes referenced as femoral struts (as extending along the femur or upper leg bone) and tibial struts (extending along the tibia, or the principal lower leg bone). A pivot assembly on the other side of the knee is also provided with struts extending up and down the leg, but these are not visible in Fig. 1. ~~To hold the struts in place on the leg are a series of straps 22 on the upper leg, and straps 24 on the lower leg. Suitable padding 26 is provided on the upper leg, and the struts are normally secured to the padding 26 by appropriate Velcro® or hook and loop type material. Similar padding 28 underlies the strut 18 and straps 24. The straps 22 extend through the loops 38 to hold the entire assembly together under active usage conditions.~~

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Please delete paragraph [0044] of the specification and add new replacement paragraph [0044] as follows:

[0044] An alternative embodiment of the stop mechanism may include a physical stop having a radially extending slot for receiving a locking pin associated with a push button; and a wire spring biasing the push button and locking pin radially outward relative to the stop support members.